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In the application of:

Thomas M. Baer

Serial No.: 09/357,423

Filing Date: July 20, 1999

For: FLUIDIC EXTRACTION OF
MICRODISSECTED SAMPLES

Examiner: LaToya I. CROSS

Group Art Unit: 1743

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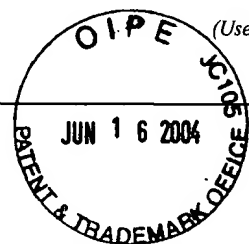
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	2.	07/02/1996	5,532,128	Eggers et al.			
	3.	10/14/1997	5,677,197	Gordon et al.			
	4.	12/04/1997	USSN 08/984,979	Baer et al.			
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	6.	04/10/1998	USSN 09/058,711	Baer et al.			
	7.	05/26/1998	5,756,049	Brayton			
	8.	07/23/1998	USSN 09/121,635	Baer et al.			
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	11.	08/25/1998	5,798,215	Cathey et al.			
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	19.	04/06/1999	5,891,630	Eggers et al.			
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	26.	08/13/1998	WO 98/35215	PCT				
	27.	04/08/1999	WO 99/17094	PCT				

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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	34.	Simone, N.L. et al. (1998). "Laser-Capture Microdissection: Opening the Microscopic Frontier to Molecular Analysis," <i>Trends In Genetics</i> 14(7): 272-276.

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1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
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1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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